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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of:)
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Application No.: Not Yet Assigned) Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned
(National Phase of PCT Application No.)
PCT/JP2003/009432, filed on July 25, 2003)
Filed: Concurrently Herewith)
For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS,)
CONTROL METHOD THEREOF)
AND CONTROL PROGRAM)
THEREOF : January 24, 2005

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

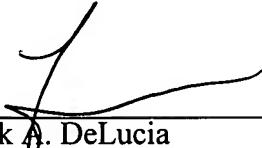
In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents identified on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed together with a copy of International Search Report citing them.

The concise explanation of the relevance of the non-English document is provided in the English abstract attached to that document.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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